



Dear Friend,

As a fellow student of Utah history, I believe you share with me an interest in the preservation of Utah's historic environment.

Like me, you may have experienced frequent dismay as our historic buildings, sites and neighborhoods are lost at an ever-increasing rate. The face of our beautiful state is changing and, in many instances, we seem to be losing more than we are gaining.

During the last twelve years, I have followed the activities of the Utah Heritage Foundation. I have become convinced that the Foundation is an effective pro-history, pro-preservation force in Utah. Time after time, the Foundation has played a key role in the preservation, restoration or interpretation of important historical resources.

Because the task of preservation is so enormous and the helpers so few, I am writing to personally encourage you to support the Utah Heritage Foundation and its programs.

Let me tell you what membership support has helped to accomplish in preservation during the last year:

- * at the request of school teachers, the Foundation's School Program provides materials and activities to help make Utah's history -- and the people who made the history -- become alive and meaningful for students in the fourth and seventh grades; beginning its ninth year, this program will operate in four Salt Lake Valley districts and will expand to Park City and Tooele;

- * the Revolving Properties Program enables the Foundation to purchase endangered historic buildings and to make low-interest loans to historic building owners for renovation; the Foundation has just purchased a small Victorian cottage in the Capitol Hill Historic District;

- * the Marmalade Hill Center, former LDS Ward in Salt Lake, listed on the National Register of Historic Places, is being renovated and administered by the Foundation as a community center; it is now 100% leased to arts- and architecture-related groups and \$13,500 in grant funds will be spent this year on interior improvements;

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* Foundation volunteers present walking tours and slide programs on aspects of Utah's heritage to groups and organizations; volunteers staff tours of the Governor's residence, the Thomas Kearns Mansion; they have just completed production of a taped walking tour of the Capitol Hill Historic District, available for rent from Utah Travel Council at the top of Capitol Hill.

You will join the Foundation Board and members in working on a community and state level to increase public awareness of Utah's historic and architectural legacy and to protect that legacy by encouraging new development of quality planning and design.

As a member, you will receive the Foundation Newsletter, containing information of special interest about preservation projects and individuals throughout the state. You will receive invitations to the Foundation's popular historic house tours and other membership events and, as a member, will be entitled to up to a 10% discount on some ticket prices and preservation publications.

Your membership acceptance card is enclosed for your convenience. May I hope you will join me in support of Utah Heritage Foundation?

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Allen D. Roberts".

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P.S. Please note an extra benefit for memberships at the \$50 level and above -- a complimentary subscription to Historic Preservation, the richly-illustrated bi-monthly magazine published by the National Trust for Historic Preservation.

